

Docket No: GRIMM-3
Appl. No: 10/768,392

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW
CHANGES MADE**

Amend the following paragraph:

[0023] -- The protective device 7 operates as follows: When the injection unit 1 docks the molding tool 4, the tracer 10 strikes against a touch surface 15 of the molding tool 4 and is hereby moved in an axial direction in the guide sleeve 11 in opposition to the spring force of the compression spring 14, thereby swinging the protective plate 8 via the slotted guide mechanism upwards to assume the opening position. Thus, the outlet port of the injection nozzle 3 is fully open. As soon as the injection unit 4 moves away from the molding tool 4, the protective plate 8 is moved by the spring force back to the shielding position, as shown in FIG. 1, to cover the outlet port of the nozzle tip 5.--.